

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and through eternity I'll sing on!

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

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**Please stand if you are able where indicated by the asterisk.*

Worship Leader: Becky Elliott

Greeters: Cortland and Krissy Schafer

Wee Worship Teacher: Sue Harvey

Elder of the Month: Steve Hills

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Flowers today are given to the glory of God.

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**Nursery for Children 3 Years and Younger ~ Room 208 (across from the Chapel)
Wee Worship (3-5 years) ~ Room 113 (downstairs)**

**The Lord's Supper is celebrated weekly at the 9:00 AM service
and the first Sunday of every month at the 11:15 AM service.**

Staff

Pastor:	Preston Shealy	Office Manager:	Carol Fry
Music Coordinator:	Mary Ann Stephens	Building Manager:	Mark Key
Choir Director:	Brady Brennan	Preschool Admin:	Mikie Bowles
Childcare Provider:	Nancy Henning		

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Boulevard Presbyterian Church

Worship On The Lord's Day

April 2, 2017 9:00 A.M.

5th Sunday in Lent



Today's congregation continues strong traditions of:

- **Living faith through worship, mission, education and fellowship with the vision of "Reaching Out to Make Disciples."**
- **Following the path laid out by God through his son, Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit;**
- **Sharing the inclusive love of God to all of God's children and God's creation;**
- **Exposing the light of Christ to the world through music, words, prayer and actions.**

GATHERING

Give Peace

**Give peace to every heart. Give peace to every heart.
Give peace, Lord. Give peace, Lord. (repeat)**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *Please sign the friendship pad and pass it to those near you.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Ezekiel 37 and Psalm 130)

Leader: O mortal, can these bones live?

People: **Only the Lord God knows.**

Leader: O people, hope in the Lord.

People: **With the Lord there is steadfast love and great power to redeem.**

ALL: **Let us worship the Lord!**

*SONG

Only By Grace

Refrain:

**Only by grace can we enter, only by grace can we stand,
Not by our human endeavor, but by the blood of the Lamb;
Into Your presence You call us, You call us to come –
Into Your presence, You draw us and now by Your grace we come,
Now by Your grace we come.**

Music Team:

Lord, if You mark our transgressions, who would stand?

Thanks to Your grace we are cleansed by the blood of the Lamb. **(refrain)**

**Please stand if you are able where indicated by the asterisk.*

*OFFERING OUR BROKENNESS TO GOD

*RECEIVE GOD'S HEALING AND SHARE GOD'S PEACE

Song of Praise

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!

My heart knows how to say to you: You are holy, Lord!

WORD FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Children 4 years of age through 3rd grade are invited to attend Wee Worship, a children's worship-education program. Children go to Room 113 (downstairs) after the Children's Message, and should be picked up there directly after worship. Children 3 years of age and younger are invited to the Nursery in Room 208 (across from the Chapel). All children 10 years and older should return to their seats in the Chapel.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

John 11:1-45

Ezekiel 37:1-14

SERMON

Dry Bones

Preston Shealy

*SONG

Gather Us In

Here in this place new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away,

See in this space our fears and our dreamings,

brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in – the lost and forsaken, gather us in – the blind and the lame;

Call to us now and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young – our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old – who yearn for your face,

We have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,

called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in – the rich and the haughty, gather us in – the proud and the strong;

Give us a heart so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth,

Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,

call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you;

Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, lightyears away, but

Here in this place the new light is shining, now is the Kingdom, now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own;

Gather us in – all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

PRAYING FOR ALL GOD'S PEOPLE

Following each petition, God's people respond:

Leader: Loving God,

People: Hear our prayer.

**Please stand if you are able where indicated by the asterisk.*

BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*Offering Response

We Are an Offering

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You; we are an offering.

Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our lives, they are Yours;

We are an offering. We are an offering.

*Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come,

thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into

temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power

and the glory, forever. Amen.

Communion of the People

Communion is by "intinction." The server will give you bread to dip in the cup. Servers disinfect their hands. Please come forward by the outer aisles and return by the inner ones. Gluten free bread is available on the table, and the cup is non-alcoholic. If you cannot come forward, communion will be brought to you.

Communion Song

O Lord, You're Beautiful

O Lord, You're beautiful, Your face is all I seek;

For when Your eyes are on this child, Your grace abounds to me. (repeat)

Prayer

*SONG

What Wondrous Love Is This

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss

to bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,

to bear the heavy cross for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,

To God and to the Lamb I will sing;

To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,

While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;

while millions join the theme I will sing!

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**Please stand if you are able where indicated by the asterisk.*

Prayers for Healing and Strength

Martha Agler, fell and broke two vertebrae
Evelyn Hannaway, fell and broke her pelvis
Fred Ferris, for healing
Geno Buzzelli, recuperating at home
Nancy Robbins, breast cancer
(Martha Agler's daughter)
Rick Cotter, recovering from car accident
(friend of Michael and Charmaine Hamilton)
Michael Frase, no longer in remission
Virginia Schlitt, at home
Marty Grimm, recuperating at home
Bruce "Smitty" Smith, recovering at home
Suzanne Trombley, recuperating at home
(sister-in-law of Carol Fry)
Gary, (relative of Becky Metzler)
Mark Key, sciatica and arthritis
John Scheiderer, recovering at home
(Charmaine Hamilton's brother-in-law)
Gay Hadley's **daughter**
Tim McLane, recovering from falls
(Mikie Bowles' brother)
Corey Sander, receiving chemotherapy
(Pat Nicholson's granddaughter's husband)
Eda Mikolaj, at home (Heather Mikolaj's mother)
Kate Whitmore, cancer
(Marty Grimm's daughter)
Lois Braun, cancer (Mike McKinney's sister)
Jerry Braun, cancer
(Mike McKinney's brother-in-law)
Julie Wall, at home (Kyme Rennick's mother)
Julie DuSablou, recuperating at home
Mark Nelson, for healing, comfort, and peace

Prayers for Our Special Care List

Mary Harris, at home
Becky Metzler, at home
Leni Leypoldt, at home
Brita Knapp, for continued remission
Norman Knapp, healing and strength
Barbara Frautschi, for continued remission
Peggy Pasko, Franklin Woods Nursing Center

Please call the Church Office to include someone on this Prayer List.

If you would like to receive a visit from the pastor, please call the church office at 614-486-0267 to schedule your visit.

If you have particular concerns that you wish to share, please speak to any of the elders serving on Session. They can be identified by their distinctive nametags which say "Elder".

CALENDAR

Today

5th Sunday in Lent
Cents-Ability Sunday
9:00 am Worship: Chapel
10:00 am Classes for all ages
11:15 am Worship: Sanctuary
5:30 pm Youth Group at Covenant
Presbyterian Church

Monday, April 3

7:00 pm Christian Education: 308
Boy Scouts: Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, April 4

12:30 pm Staff Meeting: 300

Wednesday, April 5

9:30 am Quilters: 111
5:30 pm Lenten Soup and Salad Supper -
Fellowship Hall
5:45 pm Cub Pack Committee: 300
6:15 pm Lenten Study and Fellowship
7:00 pm Cub Pack: 111

Thursday, April 6

1:00 pm Presbyterian Women's Gathering:
Lounge
6:00 pm Music Team: Chapel
6:30 pm Bell Choir: Balcony
7:30 pm Chancel Choir: Sanctuary
Friday, April 7
6:30 pm Family Film - Fellowship Hall
"The Love Bug" (1963)

Saturday, April 8

6:00 pm Saturday Sisters - Dinner and
Study

Sunday, April 9

Palm/Passion Sunday
Clothing Collection Sunday
9:00 am Worship: Chapel
10:00 am Classes for all ages
11:15 am Worship: Sanctuary

STEWARDSHIP IS . . . Having and using a
compost pile!

We Rejoice and Give Thanks

Sunday, March 26, 2017
General Sunday Offering: \$10,712.00
God's People Gathered: 124

Sunday School Classes at 10:00 AM

Nursery Care 208
3 years and younger
Preschool ~ Ages 3-5 201/202
Grades K-3rd 113
Grades 4th-6th 308
Teens 7th-12th 307
Adults 111

He Chose the Nails

Adult Study for Lent ~ Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM - Room 111

Come to the 5-week video series, *He Chose the Nails*, as Max Lucado focuses on the "gifts" of the cross, including the soldiers' spit, the crown of thorns, the nails, the wine-soaked sponge, the burial garments, and Pilate's sign identifying Jesus as the King of the Jews. Each of these tragic objects teaches Christians something about the nature of God, says Lucado. Come watch the video and join the discussion as we examine this most central event in our faith.



Posters for Maundy Thursday in Word and Art

Do you like to color? Worship and Music is planning something new for Maundy Thursday this year: A Maundy Thursday Experience in Word and Art. We will walk with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to His Crucifixion on the cross. At each stop there will be scripture upon which to meditate. In preparation we are inviting members of the congregation to join in coloring the posters that will be used at each station. They are located in the Lounge on Sunday mornings and during the week. On Wednesday evenings during the Lenten soup suppers and study they will be in Fellowship Hall for coloring before and after dinner.

Wednesdays in Lent ~ through April 5 in Fellowship Hall

Soup and Salad Supper: 5:30-6:15 p.m.
Intergenerational Events: 6:15-7:00 p.m.

Bring the whole family on Wednesdays throughout Lent for a special evening series sponsored jointly by Christian Education and Worship & Music. After a simple community supper, all ages are invited to participate in an exciting and different intergenerational event each week. Come and enjoy the fellowship of a Lenten journey together.

Scrubbies for Sale Today

Are your scrubbies starting to look a little worn? Would you like to replace them? Have friends asked where you got them? Presbyterian Women will be in the lounge selling scrubbies today following the 11:15 AM worship service.

Today is Cents-Ability Sunday!

Cents-Ability is a small first step in the battle against hunger and poverty. Congregations invite every member — of all ages — to contribute a few cents at every meal. Cents-Ability originated in 1976 as "Two-Cents-A-Meal," a project begun by Presbyterian Women to involve individuals and families in a corporate response to world hunger.

With your donations we have funded local and international hunger projects such as NNEMAP; the YWCA Family Center; PCUSA missionary support for the Heifer International project in Honduras; and the Presbyterian Hunger Program, to name a few.

Through the months of February and March \$24.09 was donated to Cents-Ability. Please remember to put your pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters in your Cents-Ability bank each day, then bring your banks to church and add your loose change to the Cents-Ability jar on the information table in the Lounge!

Presbyterian Women's Gathering ~ Thursday, April 6 at 1:00 PM

All women are invited to the Presbyterian Women's Gathering. The program will be Poland (Part 2) presented by Phyllis Miller. There will also be dedication of the Birthday Offering. The Coordinating Team will be Dessert Hostess.

Session Will Receive New Members ~ Sunday, April 9 after the 11:15 AM Service

The Session of Boulevard Presbyterian Church will meet next Sunday after the 11:15 AM worship service to receive new members! If you would like to know more about becoming a member of Boulevard, please speak to Pastor Preston Shealy on Sunday morning or contact him during the week (614-486-0267 or BoulevardPastor@aol.com).

Clothing Collection ~ Next Sunday, April 9

Clothing Collection Sunday is the second Sunday of the month. Rather than holding separate drives as we have done in the past, we are now collect clothing for Neighborhood Services, Ins (NSI) on a year-round basis. Current requests for donations of the following are greatly appreciated by the clients of NSI:

- Hats and scarves
- Mittens and Gloves
- Socks and Underwear

Donations can be left in the large wooden box in the narthex where we collect food items for NNEMAP. Thank you for showing Christ's love to those in need.

90th Anniversary Celebration Commemorative Photo Book

Now is your only opportunity to order a copy of this photo book! The charge will be just the cost of the book and shipping: around \$55 or less! Books must be ordered by April 16 - since the company is going out of business! A sign up sheet is in the Lounge.

All-Church Retreat ~ Friday, April 28 through Saturday, April 29

Registration is now open for the ALL CHURCH RETREAT at the end of April. This year's retreat will be held in Frontier Lodge at Geneva Hills Camp and Conference Center. The topic will be "Father, Teach Us to Pray." Cindy McKay will be the retreat leader. The time will be filled with great fellowship, fun, interesting learning, and projects for all ages. Registration is limited and forms must be turned in no later than April 16, 2017. See the display in the Lounge for more information and registration forms.

Wee Worship Teacher Needed

The Christian Education program is in need of another teacher to be in the rotation for Wee Worship during the 9:00 AM service. Please contact Martha Hills if you are interested at 614-261-1919 or marthahills@mac.com.

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